An amount of Rs. 2.17 crors was also sanctioned to the State Government for purchase of rigs, etc.

During 1987-88, under the Centrally Sponsored Accelerated Rural Water Supply Programme (ARWSP), an amount of Rs. 6.00 crores was also released to the State Government in addition to the release of normal allocation of Rs. 26.81 crores. During 1988-89, an amount of Rs. 29.73 crores including additional assistance of Rs 2 crores was released to the State Government under ARWSP.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) The ceilings of expenditure as part of drought relief assistance of Rs. 50 lakhs for tackling drinking water scarcity including transportation of water have been approved for the period November, 1988 to March, 1989 and Rs. 120 lakhs for the period April—June, 1989.

Sanction for Project under Technology Mission on drinking water in Madhya Pradesh

1230. SHRIMATI RATAN KUMARI; will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state;

(a) whether Government had sanctioned a detailed project report costing Rs. 7·39 crores for the Jhabua district of Madhya Pradesh under the Technology Mission of Drinking Water; and

(b) whether the schemes for rain harvesting structures included in the project report require sum of Rs. 5·29 crores for the its implementation and if so, the reasons for not sanctioning this amount ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI JANARDHAN POOJARI); (a) A detailed project report costing Rs. 7·39 crores for the mini mission project area of Jhabua district was received from the State Government of Madhya Pradesh. The DPR was approved for an amount of Rs. 3·45 crores.

(b) The schemes for rain water harvesting structures for the mini mission project areas of Jhabua, Rajgarh and Shahdol amounting to Rs. 5·18 crores were received from the State Government . These included schemes worth Rs. 1·11 crores for Jhabua district. The schemes were approved on 3rd March, 1989 and a sum of Rs. 258·94 lakhs for all 3 Mini Mission including Rs. 55·54 lakhs for Jhabua representing 50 % of the approved cost was released as first instalment on 16th March, 1989.

Funds to Madhya Pradesh for Supply of Drinking Water in Municipal Towns

1231. SHRIMATI RATAN KUMARI; will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state;

(a) whether the Planning Commission had approved a scheme under which the water supply schemes for Municipal Towns with population less than 20,000 can be provided with financial assistance from the Government of India as per Rural Water Supply norms;

(b) if so, whether Madhya Pradesh Government had submitted some proposals under this scheme to the Centre for providing funds and other assistance, and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI JANARDHAN POOJARI): (a) The Central Government has approved for extension of the